

# Younkin Family News Bulletin

## *A Tribute to Our Family*

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Donna Younkin Logan, publisher

### Dear Cousins,

The response to our initial mailing has been tremendous and shows what a dedicated family we truly are! Of the over 700 newsletters that I have sent out over the past 3 months - we have 98 subscribers to date. I am hoping that the remaining families are still considering it and will send in their subscriptions over the next few months. I would like to thank several of our supporters who, in addition to their subscription, sent an extra contribution. We truly appreciate this most generous and thoughtful gesture.

Now that the first issue is complete, I am able to estimate the yearly production expenses. It will take about 150 subscriptions for us to offset these yearly costs of production (a little more if the postal rates actually go up). If you haven't yet subscribed, please support our endeavor. We lost our Newsletter once, let's not let that happen again!

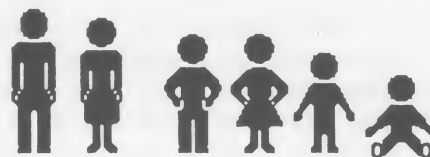
Almost everyone took the time and effort to fill in both the Family Group Sheet and the Pedigree Chart. In addition to updating family lines, these have helped me to decide which family lines to concentrate on regarding articles for the upcoming issues.

Many of you, also, took time from your busy schedules to include letters of praise for both myself and 'I.M.A.Y.' Larry. We are both grateful for these expressions of appreciation.

A big THANK YOU goes to some really special people. These cherished friends, though unrelated to our YOUNKIN line, have spent many many hours searching through and copying records for us. Robert J. Libby of Iowa City, IA.- Rev. & Mrs. Newton Poling of Hagerstown, MD- Nancy Savio of Terre Haute, IN., Rosella Vohs of Decatur, IL., and Bob Rufe of Hockessin, DE., John Kubla of PA. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Several of you have sent in family information (family bible records, charts, etc.) - I am assuming that if you sent it in you do not mind if the information is published in our News Bulletin. If you would prefer not to have something published I hope that you will let me know [soon !].

I need to make something a little clearer to everyone - I am  
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### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR FAMILY ?

Is there a new son-in-law ?

New Baby ?

Are you planning a reunion ?

Special Anniversary Event ?

Please send it in for publication in the YFNB

### YOUNKIN / FAIDLEY REUNION is alive and well in Wakefield, Kansas

This year it will be the last weekend in September - we are all invited - contact Norma Jean Milligan at 3329 NW 43; Topeka, Kansas 66618 Telephone: 913-286-0390 for more details. We hope you will take lots of pictures for our NEWS BULLETIN !!!

### *Please Help*

We would like to include as many photographs as possible in our News Bulletin - not just of our ancestors (though these are our most precious) but of all YOUNKIN descendants. The next time you take your family photos in for developing, how about an extra set for the YFNB !!!!!

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NOT an EXPERT on our YOUNKIN family. I have, quite simply, tried to collect as many records as I can on all of them. I have had my own line of YOUNKIN ancestors completed for a couple years. When, through this research, it appeared to me that everyone was quite possibly related - I was curious about such a unique phenomenon. This publication is just a continuance of my own curiosity and if it can assist others in finding their roots that will make it all worthwhile. Every bit of information that I have will be printed in this publication including all of the articles that appeared in the old issues of the YFNB. I now have what appears to be a COMPLETE set of the old issues. Many of you had Vol. 1 # 1 - but one member had them all and was gracious enough to copy all of them for me. (thanks again George & Nancy) The hardest part of writing this issue was deciding which of these articles to include now and which had to be put off until later..

Don't be surprised if, upon first reading this issue, you become terribly confused about just who is who and where in the family tree they fit. Our family is a large one with many generations to deal with. Trust me, it will clear up after a while. I have made every effort to reproduce the historical documents in their 'exact' form - it's not my job to re-write history or to decide that what someone wrote was wrong [though, if possible, I will provide any other evidence I might have]. The onus will be on you to verify the validity of each and every item. I will be glad to make suggestions to anyone as to how they might go about this verification process - but is quite impossible for me to personally verify each line of our tree. The financial expenses are well beyond my capabilities. Those of you who are new to this hobby will be interested to know that to order a copy of just 1 Will at any courthouse costs between \$5-10 [more if there are various Estate papers with it]. To order a certified birth, marriage, or death certificate costs about \$10. Doing the research yourself can save you some of the expenses - you won't have to pay the Clerk of the Court for their time - but even so the copying costs are still heavy [usually 50¢ per page]. In the future, as you read through the various articles written here you will now know just how much time, energy and money has been devoted to our family by others. [ makes your \$12.00 subscription fee quite a bargain ! ]

## **GENES - GENES & MORE GENES**

### **Beginning Genealogy**

By Donna Younkin Logan

You have 2 parents - 4 grandparents - 8 Great Grandparents and 16 Great Great Grandparents. In those 4 generations you have 30 people to investigate & document. [That should keep you busy for a while!] What's that you say... 'your Uncle did your genealogy' - WRONG! - he did HIS genealogy. Only half of your ancestors will be related to this man. Then you

need to ask yourself: How thorough was his work? Did he document his findings with specific references? Did he include all of the female lines ( all too often neglected !). You are just as much a part of your Mothers Mothers Mother as you are your Fathers Fathers Father.

Begin your own research with the current generations and work your way back. Get all of the vital statistics on each known living relative. Most of you have already done just that by filling in the charts that were included with the last issue of our YFNB. Don't forget to document each entry as to the source for the information - if the source was a conversation with Aunt Mildred then say 'source for Mildred's birth was Mildred herself in a conversation we had on 5 Jan 1990'. If Mildred was the one that gave you the birth dates for her parents and all of her brothers and sisters then state that.

I can't emphasize enough the need for documentation of any ancestral findings [including all minute details, LARRY!]. 100 years from now your great grandchild should be able to take your research sheets and be able to easily find the original documents at their original location. In other words, if you found your maiden Aunt's Will at the Frederick County, Maryland courthouse in the town of Frederick, also state which WILL BOOK and all of the PAGE NUMBERS! In addition to the Will - don't forget to check with the Clerk to see if they might have other documents, as well, relating to the deceased person. Such as: Estate Administration, Inventories, Guardianship papers, Bonds, etc.

Here is another example of how important documenting your finding is:

You come across a cemetery headstone which says simply:

' Ephraim'  
born: January 23, 1881  
died: December 12, 1886  
son of J & H YOUNKIN

You jot down the Cemetery name and location [Street address, City County, State] and include a reference ( if available) to exactly where the plot is located within the cemetery). Finding out more about this child will be quite difficult as he was born after the 1880 census was taken and died before any other census could have documented his life. Now, several years later, you are browsing in a genealogical library and you stumble across a midwife's journal of births for the years 1875-1885 . Entry # 68 states: "Male child born to Hannah Younkin, wife of Jacob, was born January 23, 1881". Well, that's good enough for you. You sit down at the nearest library table and enter Ephraim as the 2nd child of Jacob and Hannah on their Family Group Sheet- and that's all there is to it. WRONG!

Don't leave the library until you have, at best, copied [on a copier] the cover page of the Journal and the entry page. At  
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the very least, write out the birth entry [exactly as it is stated-even if the spelling is wrong] and get the midwife's name and the bibliography type information from the Journal. Now, we need to see that your Great Grandchild will be able to find this reference at the original source location 100 years from now [if the library hasn't burned down in the meantime!]. Write down the library's name and its location. Think about it - 1st of all, without the Midwife's Journal - WHERE IS YOUR PROOF of Ephraim's parentage? 2nd, what are the chances that your Great Grandchild will stumble across this same journal? She needs to know it exists!

If you ever decide to join one of the Historical Societies such as the DAR or SAR [Daughters / Sons of the American Revolution] you will need all of the documentation. If one of your relatives held a membership in one of these, don't believe that just because they were members that you will necessarily be able to join also. If their membership file does not contain viable proof of their ancestral lines then you will have to provide it. Prior to about 1950 societies such as these were rather lenient as to acceptable documentation, but this is no longer true. Each new member must substantiate their own relationship. Why do I bring up this topic? - many of you should have the ability to join as several of the YOUNKIN boys served in the Revolutionary War!

Collateral Relatives = anyone who is not a DIRECT ancestor. For example, your Father's brother. Don't make the mistake of not investigating & documenting these kins. You will often find out about your own direct ancestors through these siblings & cousins. In my 3rd Great-Grandfather, Hardin BUTLER's, obituary it stated that he was 'associated with Abraham Lincoln' - well, needless to say, I wanted to know more about this *association*. My 'in-depth' study of Hardin's life left me with absolutely no information regarding any connection with our famous President. It wasn't until I located a 2 vol. biography of Mr. Lincoln wherein I found that Abe was given his first job in Springfield, IL. by one William BUTLER, Clerk of the County Court. Well, this William certainly wasn't my own direct ancestor but I decided to gather as much as I could about the life of this William. In checking the Sangamon County History books there were several articles written about William and to make a long story short - this William and my Hardin turned out to be brothers. They lived quite close to each other on the outskirts of Springfield and Mr. Lincoln actually boarded [meals only] in the home of William and his wife, Elizabeth. In addition, Abe and Mary TODD were married in the BUTLER home<sup>1</sup>. Hardin's *association* was probably based on a few dinners with Abe. Nonetheless, I was able to learn quite a bit more about my Hardin through my investigation of his brother, William's, life.

After you have gathered all the statistics you can on your siblings, parents, aunts, uncles, cousins & grandparents, you can begin your work on Great-Grandparents and their ances-

tors. If they are still living - interview them - get as much information as they can offer on their families. The next step is to find the documentation to substantiate the lines. Get as many birth, death & marriage certificates as possible. Each state began keeping these records on a state-wide basis at different times but most began about the turn of the century. Individual counties in each state have kept these records much longer. The new book, published by Genealogical Publishing Inc. of Baltimore, Md., INTERNATIONAL VITAL RECORDS HANDBOOK offers copies of each states applications for these certificates and applications for most foreign countries. If any of you would like copies of the forms in this book I will be happy to copy them for you- but please send a long (business size envelope) SASE and which states and/or countries you would like. I, also, have the addresses of most county courthouses in the U.S.[which is where the earlier records will be] and will be glad to send these to you, again, please send a SASE.



What's in these records? Well, each one will be different but normally you will find the following genealogical information:

Birth Certificate - child's name, date of birth, place of birth (city, county, & state), parents names (including mother's maiden name), parent's birthplaces (usually just the state but often the city and/or county also).

Death Certificate - deceased full name, birth date and place, dates & places of death and burial, cause of death, parents names (including mother's maiden name), parent's birthplaces (usually just the state but often the city and/or county also), deceased last known address, wife's name.

Marriage Certificate - both parties full names, their ages, parents names (if either party was under legal age, parental consent forms were often filed with the certificates - but you have to ask specifically for this), marital status at the time they applied for the license (widow, single, divorced, etc.), license application date and the date the marriage took place, who performed the ceremony and where.

Well, this should keep everyone busy until next time when we will delve into other resources that can be used to 'gather our families'.

1 Albert J. Beverage, "Abraham Lincoln 1809-1858", (1928), published by Boston and New York Houghton Mifflin Company- The Riverside Press Cambridge, Two Volumes

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## In Memory of

The Daily Mail: Hagerstown, Maryland Tuesday March 6, 1990 SEBRING, Fla. — Roy Calvin Younkings, 71, of Sebring and formerly of Hagerstown, died Thursday, March 1, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Sebring.

He was born in Middletown, Md.

He retired in 1981 as a mechanic from Potomac Edison Co., after 36 years of service.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Army.

He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene of Sebring. He is survived by his wife, Mary V. Younkings; three sisters, Agnes Moser of Boonsboro, Edna Toms of Middletown, and Mae Recher of Hagerstown; one brother, Edwin Younkings of Boonsboro; and one niece.

Services were held Monday, March 5, at the Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home Chapel in Sebring. The Rev. James Bailey officiated. Burial was made in Lakeview Memorial Gardens. [Roy C.4, William Edward3, John W.S.2, John & Sarah (FISH) YOUNKIN1 ]

The Salina Journal: Salina Kansas — Lucille M. Pierce, 78, 1512 Osborne, were held at 10 a.m. Friday at the Ryan Mortuary, the Rev. Harry Tysen officiating. Burial was in the Highland Cemetery, Junction City.

Mrs. Pierce died Monday, Jan. 22, 1990, at Asbury-Salina Regional Medical Center.

She was born Lucille M. Younkin on Dec. 3, 1911, in Junction City and had been a Salina resident since 1937, moving from Junction City. She had owned and operated several businesses in Salina including Edgewood Riding Stables, The Pierce Motel, Pierce's Carpet and Upholstery and later Pierce's Carpet Warehouse. She was a member of the University United Methodist Church, American Business Womens Association, Lady Elks and Ladies of the Moose. She had done volunteer work for the Red Cross, St. John's Hospital and Asbury.

Her first husband, Kenneth A. Parkhurst, died in 1965; and her second husband, John R. Pierce, died in 1977.

Survivors include her mother, Mildred M. Younkin of Junction City; her sister, Mildred Anderson of 409 S. 11th; and a nephew, Robert Parkhurst of 521 W. South.

The Tiller and Toiler: Larned, Kansas, Wednesday, March 7, 1990 — Donald John Younkin 95 died March 7 at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital, Larned. He was born Oct. 7 1894 in a sod house in Rush County, KS., the son of Will E. and Mary Jane (Honderick) Younkin. He married Ellen Quigley June 1, 1924 at Great Bend, KS. Donald was a retired rural school teacher in Barton County and a retired farmer of Barton and Pawnee Counties. He was a member of the United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge both of Larned, Consistory of Wichita, Garfield American Legion, and a Veteran of

World War I.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers; Ralph E., William, and Harold. Sisters; Clara, Florence, and Marietta. Survivors: Wife of the home, daughters; Mrs. Lawrence (Janice) Schneck Jr., of Larned, Mrs. Ralph (Carolee) Vinson, Oneida, IL. Mrs. Dale (Donna) Atkeson, Haysville, KS. brothers; Willis H., Alamo, TX., Charles W., Lake Placid, FL.; five grandsons, five granddaughters and eight great grandsons.

Funeral services were held 11:00 a.m. Saturday March 10th at Beckwith Mortuary, with Rev. Leroy Smoot presiding. Burial was in the Larned Cemetery with Military Graveside rites. Memorials have been established to the United Methodist Church, Larned. [see photograph and article on separate page]

[Donald John6, William Ellsworth5, John Deitz4, Samuel3, Jacob2, Henry1]

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Neil and Sue Younkin of Brookfield, IL. welcomed the birth of Nora Anne-Marie Younkin on November 16, 1989. The baby was 6 pounds 9 ounces.

[Nora9, Neil8, Kenneth S.7, Clifford E.6, Warren Eugene5, Walter S.4, Jonas3, Jacob2, Henry1]

Kenneth and Kathleen Younkin, of Harwood Heights, IL., celebrated Ken's retirement Feb. 2nd from the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad after 40 years with the company. They look forward to traveling around the U.S. Hopefully meeting more YOUNKINS!

[Kenneth S7, Clifford E.6, Warren Eugene 5, Walter S. 4, Jonas3, Jacob2, Henry1]



Dennis and Virginia 'Ginny' Connolly announce the birth of their daughter, Shannon Elizabeth Connolly. She was born October 9th, 1989. Shannon and her older brother, Sean Patrick Connolly are pictured above. [Shannon9, Virginia Lee8, Donald Edgar7, Karst Eugene6, William E.5, Aaron Schrock4, Jonas3, Jacob2, Henry1]



## I.M.A.Y. by Larry L. Logan

If there is one characteristic of the YOUNKIN family blood-line that really stands out, it is their inability to pay attention to details. Now, I can only base this on my own personal experiences with my particular YOUNKIN and her sisters...and her Dad... and her Grandparents... and every other YOUNKIN I've had the pleasure to meet. And, Maybe this is not true for your particular YOUNKIN... (but, I really doubt that). In fact, if you do have a YOUNKIN that does "pay attention to details", I would certainly like to meet them. We can carefully check their genealogical charts, and we'll probably find out that they're not really YOUNKINS.

(Before I go too much further, I must remind you that this column is only for people who married YOUNKINS. If you missed the first issue of this newsletter, your excused. If you do happen to be a YOUNKIN - you just STOP READING THIS COLUMN IMMEDIATELY! For the rest of us - please continue.)

Where was I ... oh yes, attention to details. I would not try to discuss this issue with your YOUNKIN. They will just try to deny it. Then, they'll tell you that they don't have the problem; that it's really your problem. And finally, they will change the subject on you and start talking about your faults, none of which have anything to do with "paying attention to details". Why, ten minutes in your "discussion", your YOUNKIN will have completely forgotten what started the conversation in the first place. Not that it matters - those are just the details. I think you know what I'm talking about.

I do not want to address this issue just on the basis of my own personal opinions. Through the careful study of genealogy, the facts will speak for themselves. And those particular facts deal with the very name: YOUNKIN. If some of the early YOUNKINS who came to America had just paid attention to details, their name would not have gotten as screwed-up as it is today.

You see, the first American YOUNKINS came from Germany as JUNGHEN. They spelled their name with a "J", not a "Y". No one knows when this occurred exactly, but it probably happened when the first JUNGHEN was checking in at immigration. (Remember, their English was probably "niche so gut". Also, as is true with YOUNKINS even today, they were in a big hurry - probably to get to the shopping malls they heard about in New York City). It might have gone something like this:

Immigration Office: "Yes sir, and what is your name please?"  
1st JUNGHEN: "My name ist JUNKEN."  
Immigration Office: "and how do you spell that sir?"  
1st JUNGHEN: "My name ist JUNKEN."  
Immigration Office: "O.K. sir, I see we've been practicing

our English on the boat."

1st JUNGHEN: "Ja." (which in German is pronounced YAH).

Immigration Office: "O.K. sir, do you happen to know what the first letter of your name is...you know, A...B...C...D..."

1st JUNGHEN: "Ja. Ver ist die shopping mall - must hurry."

Immigration Office: "No sir, is the first letter of your name a 'J' or a 'Y'?"

1st JUNGHEN: "Ja"

Immigration Office: "Ja, huh, well that sounds more like a 'Y' than a 'J'. Is your last name spelled with a 'Y'?"

1st JUNGHEN: "Ja, a 'Y'. Y dis taking soo long?"

Immigration Office: "Just a second sir. I'm going to write out your name and if it's correct, I want you to sign your name at the bottom of this form. Y-O-U-N-K-I-N."

(the first JUNGHEN glances at the page, and signs the form)

1st JUNGHEN; who is now the 1st YOUNKIN: "Dis take soo long, me got my shots."

Immigration Office: "We're just about done sir. Now, what is your occupation?"

1st YOUNKIN: "Ja."

Immigration Office: "No, what is your job? Your work?"

1st YOUNKIN: "Ja. Work hard. Strong like ox."

Immigration Office: "O.K. Younkin, I'll be back with you after I get some coffee."

1st YOUNKIN: "Ja. Coffee! Amerika! Golden Streets! New York! Times Square!"

All he had to do was take a moment to read the form, and the name could have started out correctly. But that's a "detail".

Also, there is the matter of the YOUNKIN people and the YOUNKINS people — with an 'S'. They are all in the same family, but some have 'S' on the end, and others are just plain YOUNKIN.

This probably happened a generation or two later, most likely when a deed had to be registered at the courthouse. (This was probably in western Pennsylvania or West Virginia):

Clerk of the Court: "Yes sir, Mr. Younkin, you are here to deed your property."

YOUNKIN: "Shore am"

Clerk of the Court: "How do you spell your name?"

YOUNKIN: "Well, Granddaddy said it was with a 'Y'."

Clerk of the Court: "O.K., and is that YOUNKIN with an 'S' on the end or without?"

YOUNKIN: "You know, I am in kinda a hurry. An 'S' on the end means more than one, don't it?"

Clerk of the Court: "Yes, it does."

YOUNKIN: "Well, I got my brother and my wife, and my hog out in the wagon, so I guess we the YOUNKINS."

And so on... you know what I'm talking about. You can go read the rest of the YOUNKIN'S NEWSLETTER now. If some of the details seem missing, or some details seem to be in the wrong places, you'll just have to bear with me. My wife prepared the rest of the paper, and I.M.A.Y.

talk to you all next issue, Larry

## LETTERS TO 'I.M.A.Y.' LARRY



"when our boys were quite small - upon entering school the teacher immediately assigned them a front row seat in case they behaved like their older brothers and sisters. This little kid is now faced with the problem of living up to the reputation of his older siblings and always came thru with shining colors.

There is a rumor in our little town high school that one of the teachers after having Younkin children for six years in a row was granted early retirement for mental fatigue!", Tom Younkin, Ashland, OH

"When my Great Grandmother, Nancy Younkin, was a young girl the boys used to yell this at her 'Here I stand upon a pumpkin ... come and kiss me Nancy Younkin', now really Larry, not too many surnames rhyme with pumpkin!", Ginny Toney, Houston, TX.

"Larry, we had a similar organization in my family known as the YOUNKIN OUTLAWS (instead of In-Laws) and I have a couple son-in-laws that are anxious to join your group!" C. George Younkin, Arlington, TX.

"My wife certainly appreciated your reference to the 'last word' in a discussion. In fact, her attention was directed to your article and both of us had a hearty laugh" Glenn Younkin, Pickerington, OH.

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## Junghen Family in Bucks County - Part 2

This article was provided to the YFNB by Laurel Posey of Ca. It is a reprint of an article that appeared in Vol 1 #1 of the original YFNB published Christmas 1937. Part 1 may be found in Vol. 1 # 1 pub. Jan 1990 - [In the last issue I, as a novice editor/publisher, neglected to give proper credit to this article's original author, Anita L. Eyster, my sincere apology]

In connection with the arrival of Herman's brother, JOHANN HEINRICH JUNGHEN, in 1750, we might pause to comment on the really astonishing way in which the immigrants contrived to keep in touch with the mother country in those days when a slow sailing vessel was the only means of

communication. Each ship that unloaded at Philadelphia (and between 1750 and 1755 there were 85 ships came in with German immigrants), went back with messages and commissions and often took back those men who had planned their dwelling places and were returning for their families. Some such reason must have stirred Henry Junghen, for within a year of his arrival he advertises in the German paper[1] that he is going back and will take letters. He is described as a single man in Tinicum. This simple phrase gives us a deal of information. First, that he went at once on arrival to his brother Herman in Tinicum; second, that his wife was dead, undoubtedly before he left Germany; third, that he had the means to pay his passage back and forth. We also infer that his home was Siegen in Hesse.

But Henry Junghen did not stay long abroad and coming back to Bucks County he bought a large tract of over 200 acres in the townships of Bedminster and Haycock. Here he brought a wife, Catharine Scherer, in 1756, and raised a family of four sons and two daughters. Since this was his second marriage, it was rendered possible that his daughter Elizabeth should later marry the grandson of his brother Herman, her first cousin once removed, thus establishing a double connection with the Haupt family.

Henry's son by his first marriage, JOHN JUNGHEN, left behind in Germany, came over in 1754. We have little information concerning him but we may suppose that he was 16 years old when he arrived and 21 when he married Catharine Killicher in 1759. He is mentioned as the oldest son in his father's will in 1787, but we have no further notice of him except the baptism of a son George in 1766. He therefore went to Somerset County at an early date. Jacob Junghen, the second son of Henry, followed him. Jacob married Hannah Nicola and he was enrolled in a Militia Company in Bucks County as late as 1782, but so far as we know, his children were born in Somerset County.

The sons at home when Henry died in 1787 were therefore Frederick, Rudolph and Henry, the latter still a minor. Their father directed in his will that the sons should share the land, that Frederick should have the Homestead in Tinicum and take care of his mother and sisters. But Frederick married and then lost his wife, and in 1790 he sold his land to his brother Rudolph and followed his brothers to Somerset, leaving behind an infant son, also named Frederick, probably in his mother's care. After the same manner, the other brothers disposed of their lands and left the County. Rudolph going to Perry County, Ohio, and Henry to Loudon County, Virginia. This left none to carry on the family of Henry Junghen in Bucks County except the little son of Frederick, born 1789, who became a millwright and died in 1838, leaving a large family.

In the family of Herman Junghen there were six sons and of these only one remained in Bucks County. This was John Junghen, the oldest son, who married Anna Maria Essig in

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1771, and had three sons and four daughters. Of these, the oldest, Nicholas, remained on part of the original property in Nockamixon and from him are descended most of those of the name Youngken now in Bucks County. His brothers moved over into Northampton County, Michael being unmarried and Abraham marrying Elisabeth Hauser. This accounts for some off the Easton people.

Of the other sons of Herman Junghen, the second, Abraham, married Elisabeth Wyker and died in 1790, leaving a son Abraham who eventually removed to Washington County, Ohio; his wife was named Sarah. Of the third, fourth and fifth sons, Daniel, George and Herman, we know little more than is contained in Herman Junghen's Will. However, George's wife was Elizabeth Bollinger and in 1811, he was living in Chillasque Township, Northumberland County. The youngest son, Killian, child of the second marriage, also went to Ohio.

The family of Peter Youngken seem to have been a different line, especially in view of the fact that their first names are dissimilar from the original Bucks County line. Peter may have been of the JUNCKEN family who came to Philadelphia in 1753, but so far as we know, they did not leave Philadelphia County. But even if Peter Youngken could be proved to be of the Philadelphia Juncken family, his descent would not fall within the scope of this paper, whose purpose is to trace the Pioneers in Bucks County.

Herman Junghen is undoubtedly buried at the Nockamixon Lutheran Church, where he was a trustee and active member. Henry Junghen has a perfectly legible stone at Keller's Church, in Bedminster Township and here also is the grave of his wife, who outlived him nearly 40 years and died at the age of 99 years.

A Revolutionary record on the Oath of Allegiance has been established for both these Pioneers, making their descendants eligible to Patriotic Societies.

No references have been included here but proofs are to be found in Church Records and in documents found in the Bucks County Courthouse in Doylestown

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Anita L. Eyster, Member Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, 1937.

1 Sower's Newspaper; October 1, 1751 - 'Johann Henrich Junghenn, unmarried, of Tinicum (Bucks County), expects to go to Germany. Commissions for him may be forwarded to Johannes Zacharias, tanner, Germantown.'

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[Many of you have seen the above history, but I would venture that few of you have seen the following letter written by Anita to the Publisher, Charles Younkin, wherein we are given an explanation of her interest in the JUNGHEN/YOUNKIN family]



LETTER FROM ANITA L. EYSTER  
Philadelphia, PA., April 10, 1941

Dear Mr. Younkin,

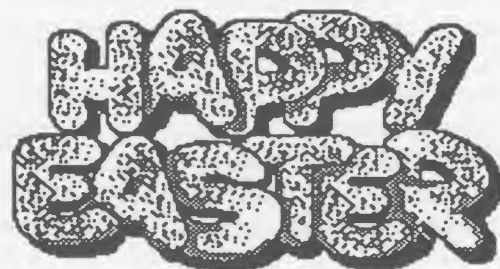
I have received your letter and I am certainly sorry to hear that you are laid up. I am afraid that you have always worked too hard. Undoubtedly you have done a tremendous work in getting up the whole Younkin history as you have. I wish I had something that could be of use to you in the News Bulletin but I know of nothing that would help. Of course my personal interest in the family stops with the death of my great grandfather's wife, Elisabeth YOUNGKEN, in 1831. I covered pretty well the Bucks County families and have done nothing further on them. The Peter Younken line is I am sure, no connection.

I hope you are working in some other member of the line to be your assistant. My activities in the past few years have been largely in lines far removed and not often amongst the German element. Really genealogical work is very slow at present and when I have no very active clients I busy myself with research in Philadelphia and nearby. I live very quietly since my children are all married and out of the city but I have a comfortable house and few cares and I take life easy and try to view approaching old age with equanimity. In other words, I am resting on my laurels and perhaps that is what you should be doing too.

I wish you every success with the next number of the Bulletin and if it were possible would gladly be of help to you.

With kind regards, believe me  
very sincerely yours,  
Anita L. Eyster

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## SOME OF OUR OLD FOLKS

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In the article which follows a brief story of the old YOUNKIN folks, whose photos appear in this issue of the Bulletin will be given to begin they are all that are left living, (of the fourth generation) of Johan Henrich Junghen, or Younkin, the Pioneer of 1753, it is the aim of the writer to give definite dates as near as is possible to do so with but few exceptions it is being done. Henry [Henrich] Junghen or Younkin was a widower when he arrived in America in 1753, with a son Ernest Junghen, who supposedly died a short time later, as he never was heard from again. In 1754 another son arrived in America, John Junghen, of the descendants of the last named son, will make mention at a later date through columns of the Bulletin, after a stay of a few years in Philadelphia, PA., port of arrival, Henry migrates to Bucks County, PA. where in 1756 he purchased a farm, and in the same year married Catherine SCHERER.

Henry died in 1787 he is buried in the grave yard at Kellers Church, the gravestone reading, 'Geboren January 31, 1717'. Jacob, oldest son of second marriage was born about 1757, he married Hannah NICOLA in 1785 and shortly after moved to Somerset County, PA. where he died 1811, and is buried near Kingwood, PA.

The following are the names of the descendants of Jacob and Hannah Younkin: John, Henry, Elizabeth, Samúel, Catherine, Abraham, Jonas, Isaac and Polly. It would take too much space to give you a complete historical story of the descendants of Jacob and Hannah Younkin, will omit all except, direct ancestry of persons whose photos appear in this paper. Jonas or Dr. Jonas Younkin, who was born in Somerset County, married Martha PRINKEY and went West when a young man, he is buried near Nichols, Iowa. [editors note - I have been unable to find a burial place in the Nichols area to date for our Dr. Jonas - he is last found in the 1880 census living with his youngest son, Austin, in Columbus Junction, Louisa County, IA., D.Y.L.] Dates of birth and death, are not now available. Among the descendants of Jonas and Martha Younkin, were Dr. Edwin, a famous surgeon of St. Louis, MO. Several years ago, Archibald, a lawyer of San Diego, CA., he also has been dead a number of years, his widow died in 1936 near 102 years of age. A daughter, Mrs. Emily HOWE, died a few years ago in Omaha, NE., others of this family have passed on, but there still lives one son of Dr. Jonas Younkin, the venerable Aaron Younkin, of Lincoln, NE. who was born July 31, 1845. [Editors note: his photo appeared in the last issue, D.Y.L.]

Rudolph (Ralph) Younkin second son of Henry and Catherine (Scherer) Younkin, was born about 1759 in Bucks County,

PA. he married Elizabeth HOCKMAN, perhaps about 1780. A few years later moved to Perry County, OH., where he lived the remainder of his life. He is buried near Corning, OH., he wife, Elizabeth died May 24, 1831, and is buried there also. Of the several descendants of Rudolph and Elizabeth, will only speak of two, namely John and Samuel. John was born July 27, 1791, he married Margaret TROUT in 1820, he lived his entire life in Perry County, OH. and is buried near Corning, OH. Fourteen children were born to John and Margaret Younkin, of these only one is living, the grand old man Isaac Younkin, of Burlington, KS. who was 98 years of age April 21, 1938, and is today the oldest known living Younkin in the U.S.A. A brother and sister, the Famous Younkin Twins having died in 1937, in their 93rd year.

Samuel Younkin, son of Rudolph and Elizabeth, was born November 2, 1797, near Harpers Ferry, his wife was Catherine GODLOVE. She was born March 3, 1797. He moved to Iowa in 1844, and lived there the last years of his life. He died July 15, 1895. Several children were born to Samuel and Catherine Younkin, of these all are dead, except one, the venerable old Dr. George Younkin of Riverside, IA. who was born September 5, 1846, a brother, John F. Younkin, also of Riverside, having died August 1937, age 96.

Frederick Younkin, third son of Henry and Catherine Younkin, was born in Bucks County, PA. in 1763. He first married Barbara DEITER, perhaps 3 or 4 children were born to them. Barbara died a few years after marriage, after his wives death presumably about 1785, 1790, he came to Somerset County, he again married. His second wife was Catherine PATTON [Editors note: part of the next sentence is unreadable on my copy, D.Y.L.]..... was married a second time, before or after coming to Somerset County, at least one son to his first marriage remained in Bucks County possibly being taken care of by his grandmother. A record of his accidental death is recorded in Bucks County Intellegencer, Nov. 6, 1838. Several children were born to wife of second marriage, will only mention one, Frederick F. Younkin, who was born in Somerset County, PA., in 1801. Fred F. married and went West, four children were born to first marriage. He having gone West, his wife having died a few years later, after her death, he came back to Somerset County, where he again married, several children were born, all being dead, except Henry Younkin, who was born in 1853. He being 85 years of age, living near Rockwood, PA.

Henry Younkin fourth son of Henry and Catherine, was born in Bucks County, PA. October 9, 1768. He married Anna Marie — he was living in Easton, Northampton County, PA. in 1832. A few years later came to near Brush Valley, Indiana County, PA. where he purchased a farm, where he lived the remaining years of his life. He died July 20, 1859, and is buried in Dutch Bethel graveyard, near Brush Valley, Indiana County, PA. Several children were born to Henry and Anna Maria Younkin. Will at this time omit all excepting Aaron, who was born perhaps in Northampton County January 17, 1819. He married Mary GEORGE he died June 7, 1888. Several children were born to Aaron and Mary Younkin,

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all are now dead, except one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth (Younkin) McNUTT, living in Indiana, Indiana County, PA. She was born December 21, 1852, age 85 years, this terminates for the time being our story which we hope has been made plain to you all. Our main object in giving this to you, was to prove to you seemingly impossible facts, which are only too true. I dare say this is not to be found in any other family group. Fourth generation extending over a period of 221 years, and they are all second cousins.

by Chas. Younkin

## **MORE ARTICLES FROM PAST ISSUES of the YOUNKIN FAMILY NEWS BULLETIN**

Note: if the subject person's ancestry is known, then it is included at the end and will appear as follows:

[ Huldah Jane 5th generation Mary A.4th Samuel3rd Rudolph2nd Henry 1st generation]

**YFNB Vol 2 # 3 & 4 (combined issues) Mar 15, 1940, pg 6:  
DEATH TAKES CHARLES ELBERT YOUNKIN AT 78  
SCOTTS BLUFF, NE. - NOV 26,**

— Charles Elbert Younkin, 809 West Eighteenth Street, retired, died of a heart attack at 6:A.M. Sunday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J.F. Carland, two miles north of Lyman. Had Mr. Younkin lived one more day, he and his wife Nellie, would have celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary. Funeral services will be held at Read's funeral home here at 2 p.m. Wednesday with Rev. George Morrel, pastor of the Methodist Church here, officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Younkin was born November 26, 1862, at Kewanee, IL. He was an early day pioneer and rancher near Kimball, NE, later moving to Alliance, NE., where he engaged in the transfer business for nearly 20 years. He retired about 3 years ago. He was visiting at the home of his daughter and son-in-law at the time of his death.

Surviving include his wife, to whom he was married November 27, 1887, at Orient, Iowa, and six sons and daughters, namely, Mrs. Carland, near Lyman, NE.; Lloyd Younkin, Gusk, WY.; Glenn Younkin, Alliance, NE.; Mrs. Dewey Jones, Scotts Bluff, NE.; Mrs. W.E. Lemasters, San Fernando, CA.; R.A. Younkin, Denver, CO.; one brother, George Younkin, Elk City; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

[ Charles Elbert5, Alexander C.4, Dr. Jonas3, Jacob2, Henry1]

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This has happened before

Old sweethearts after many years meet and marry, and if you do not believe it just turn to your Bulletin date 30 April, 1938. But this time it is not Mr. A.N. Lyberger, but Dr. Colflesh, of

Confluence, PA. and Miss Della Schrock, of Connellsville, PA. and that somewhere down the line they both have an ancestor John Younkin, and not the same one either, their relationship who knows?

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## **MRS. ELLEN SCHROCK**

Mrs. Ellen Schrock, 79 years old, died of a heart attack Friday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Della Schrock, of Brookvale.

Mrs. Schrock was a daughter of the late Jacob and Lucy (WEIMER) YOUNKIN. She was born at Kingwood, Somerset County, and lived there until 10 years ago when she came to Connellsville to make her home with her daughter. She was a member of the Church of God at Kingwood and during her residence here had attended the United Brethren Church.

She was the wife of Ephraim SCHROCK, who preceded her in death 18 years ago. She was the mother of 10 children eight of whom survive. They are Della SCHROCK of Brookvale, Mrs. Anna CRAMER, and Mrs. Elva SEMBOWER of Somerset, Mrs. W.G. SNYDER and Mrs. H.P. MILLER of Kingwood, George SCHROCK of Johnstown, Harold SCHROCK of Uniontown and Ira SCHROCK of Sacramento, CA. She is also survived by a brother, W. D. YOUNKIN of Kingwood, 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon. After a prayer at the Brookvale home at 12:30 o'clock the cortege will go to the Kingwood Church of God where the service will be conducted. Rev. E.A. Shultz, pastor of the United Brethren Church, assisted by Rev. J. I. Kalp, pastor of the Kingwood Church of God, will officiate. In charge of Funeral Charles C. Mitchell, Interment will be in Kingwood I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

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NOTES FROM SULLIVAN COUNTY, PA.  
AND VICINITY  
REUNION AT DUSHORE, PA  
SUNDAY, AUG. 11,- 1940**

The YONKIN Reunion was a well attended happy gathering held at Penn's Grove near Dushore. August 11th 1940. The day was ideal and a delicious dinner was served at noon to over 100 members by the ladies.

Levi B. YONKIN, of Dushore was the oldest member present and Sarah Ann TOUSCHNER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Ivan TOUSCHNER of Williamsport, PA. was the youngest present. Officers were elected for 1941 followed with singing by Viola MILLER. There also were four generations present at the gathering: John H. YONKIN, great grandfather; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur YONKIN, grandfather and grandmother; Ann Marie YONKIN TOUSCHNER, parents of 14 month Sarah Ann TOUSCHNER. The most of the day was spent in visiting. The next meeting being the 42nd reunion will be

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held the 2nd Sunday in August in Penn's Grove, near Dushore.

—Ernest YOUKIN, Sec'y.

[Editors Note: it might be interesting to see if the local Dushore Newspaper carried an account of this reunion yearly and perhaps has more about the ancestors of this group]

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*MR. AND MRS. P. F. YOUNKIN OF HASKINS, OH.  
ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE OF DAUGHTER*

Mr. and Mrs. P.[hilip] F. YOUNKIN of Haskins, Ohio, announce the marriage of their daughter, Ina Belle to Glenn W. SCHALLER, son of Henry SCHALLER, of Perrysburg, Ohio. They were married at Wilmington, Ohio, April 11, 1941, by the Rev. W.J. Schlatter, a former pastor of the Haskins Baptist Church.

The bride was in navy blue street length dress with rose accessories. The groom was in grey. They were unattended. Both graduated from Haskins High School in 1931 and attended and graduated from Bowling Green Ohio University. The bride has been an efficient teacher in the Monclova Junior High School. They will be at home to their friends on N. Church Street, Bowling Green, OH.

[ Philip F.5 Henry4 Isaac3 Jacob2 Henry1]

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## Gleanings from Our Past:

Fredrich Christian Arnold JUNGHEN's Hessian Papers were bought by William L. Clements. [Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine; Pittsburgh Pa. Vol. 19 page 199 - taken from an every-name index]

German Ship Records [Source: GERMAN PIONEERS by Strassburger & Hinke]:

Johannes YOUNG (swore allegiance as Johannes JUNGHEN) arrived 21 Oct 1754 as one of the 301 people from Franconia and Hesse then Amsterdam, last Gosport. Capt. Charles Ross.

Conrad JUNKHAN - age 36, arrived 21 Dec 1754 on the "Neptune" from Hamburg. Commander William Mallone

Anna Elizabeth JUNGHEN and 2 Henrich JUNGHENs arrived 1 Dec 1806 on the ship "3 Sisters" from Bremen, Capt. Herman Haesloop.

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## Can You Identify - Rev. Edwin F. ???

Baltimore Sun, Baltimore, MD. May 29, 1966

### JOSEPHITE'S RITES SLATED

Mass to be offered Tuesday for Father Youngkin

A requiem mass for the Rev. Edwin F. Youngkin, S.S.J., a veteran of many years in the Josephite missions, will be offered at 10:A.M. Tuesday in St. Pius V Catholic Church, 523 North Schroeder Street.

Father Youngkin died Friday in Jenkins Memorial Hospital after a prolonged illness. He was 77.

Born January 9, 1889, in Brooklyn, N.Y., Father Youngkin was educated first in Holy Name School, Brooklyn, before entering Epiphany Apostolic College, the Josephite minor seminary then located in Walbrook.

#### Studied in Baltimore

He made his philosophical and theological studies at St. Joseph's and St. Mary's seminaries, Baltimore. He was ordained at the Catholic University of America, Washington, by the late Bishop Thomas J. Shanahan, rector of Catholic University, in 1919.

Father Youngkin spent his entire missionary career on the Josephite missions in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. His last assignment was at the Josephite mission in Winnsboro, LA., from which he was forced to retire in 1953 because of ill health.

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## NEW JERUSALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lovittsville, Loudoun Co., Virginia Parish Register 1784-1836; Prepared by Mrs. David Swisher & Mrs. E.E. Hutchinson. The original records are on deposit at the Lutheran Theological Seminary Library in Gettysburg, PA.

Page 14 - Births & Baptisms:

Catharina JUNGKEN born 18 Aug 1787, baptized 19 Sep 1787

Parents: Johannes JUNGKEN and Catharina  
Sponsors: Jacob JUNGKEN and Hannah

Joseph JUNKIN born 24 Aug 1806, baptized 2 Oct 1806  
Parents: Rudolph JUNKIN and Elisabeth  
Sponsors: Conrad ROLLER and Elisabeth

The above Johannes (John), Jacob and Rudolph are the sons  
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## QUERIES:



Desire correspondance with descendants of Henry C. & Elizabeth (Shafer) Youngkin, married 1849 Hancock Co., Ohio. Lived (in 1850 census) in Gilboa, Putnam Co., Ohio. Occupation, Tailor. Son listed as John A. Youngkin. Other Younkin/Youngkins in the area: Abraham Younkin (father?), Jerome Youngkin, tailor (probably brother), Sarah A. Youngkin, married Absalom P. Bial, Robert M. Youngkin, Physician. Please write to: Della M. Shafer, 181 Western, Haysville, KS. 67060, PH: 316-524-7637.



**John Putnam (1826-1904) & Maria (Smith) SHAFER -**  
(brother and sister-in-law of Elizabeth (Shafer) Youngkin)

Seeking place of birth, parents, and siblings of Calvin CARSON b. abt. 1822 in Tn. Calvin married 1846 in Wapello Co., IA. Pertenah YOUNKIN b. 1826 in Turkeyfoot Twp., Somerset Co., PA. Pertenah was the daughter of John C. (1791/93-1865) and Kathleen Jane (CONNELLY) (1791-) YOUNKIN. John C. was the son of Frederick G. (1763-1843) and Catharine (PATTON). Frederick G. was the son of Johann Heinrich 'Henry' (1717-1787) and Catharine (SCHERER) JUNGHEN. Please write to - Elmo Carson, P.O. Box 747, Oakland, OR. 97462.

Would like more information on Samuel & Rachel (Deitz) Younkin and their son, Andrew J. Younkin. Samuel born 18 Aug 1797 Turkeyfoot, Somerset Co., PA. Andrew born about 1826 and died in Indiana. Please write to - Marjorie James, 3636 Churchill Rd, Leslie, Michigan 49251.



**Marietta Adora (Younkin) Grey**  
daughter of Andrew J. Younkin

How are Jacob and Hannah NICOLA related to the 'immigrant brothers', Herman and Heinrich JUNGHEN and what are the names of Herman's other 4 sons? Please write to - Neil Younkin, 3221 Arthur Avenue, Brookfield, IL. 60513

Need exact date of death and burial place for John YOUNKIN born about 1793 Bedford County, PA. died 1865 Modena, Mercer Co., MO. His wife Kathleen 'Kate' Jane CONNELLY born 1791 Ireland, last known living with son Alexander YOUNKIN in Mercer Co. MO. in 1870. When did she die and where is she buried? Please write to - Laurel Posey 12709 Dorina Pl., Granada Hills, CA. 91344-1418.

Need ancestors of Elizabeth YOUNKIN born 25 Sep 1835/36 in PA. She married Daniel FISTER (FEISTER) on 16 May 1852 in Clearfield, PA. Daniel and Elizabeth FISTER lived in Baccaria Twp., Clearfield Co., PA. (Baccaria borders on Cambria Co., PA.) from 1852 until 1879 when they moved to IA. The location is unknown but their son, Andrew FISTER married in Jasper Co., IA. in 1878 to Sarah Maria YOUNKIN and lived in Polk Co., IA. in 1880. The Daniel FISTER family moved to Burt Co., NE. in 1880. Daniel died there in 1896 and Elizabeth remarried Seth KELLY who died in 1900. In 1911 Elizabeth was living with her daughter, Mary STEWART, in Sturgis, Meade Co., SD. Please write to - Ina P. Bright, 118 N. Terrace St., Sutherlin, OR. 97479.

Tim Younkin of Middletown, NY asks: "How many YOUNK-INS are still out there?"... That's a difficult question to answer, Tim, but I mailed out over 700 issues of the YFNB over the past 3 months - 600 of which carried the YOUNKIN ( or some variation of ) surname.

## NEW JERUSALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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of the immigrant, Johann Heinrich 'Henry' JUNGHEN. There are several other entries where our JUNGHEN/YOUNKIN families stood Sponsor for a baptism, but these were the two most important entries for our interests. Over the years there has been much controversy between researchers as to whether or not Rudolph was the same person that was often called 'Ralph'. The descendants of 'Ralph' have many documents wherein their ancestor is called 'Ralph' but none with the name Rudolph until now. Thanks to the 'detective work' of Rev. Newton Poling of Hagerstown, MD. we have the above church record. Given this, and the Family Bible Records in possession of Joseph's great grandchild, Glenn Younkin of Springfield, IL., we can clearly see that they were one in the same! Joseph's bible was published by Sumner and Goodman in 1846. Joseph's birth is recorded as:

*Joseph Younkin  
born August 24<sup>th</sup> 1806  
Susan Meek  
born March 20<sup>th</sup> 1810*

I had hoped to have a story on the life and descendants of Rudolph prepared for this issue, but the Ohio County Court-houses have not cooperated with my deadline. I am still awaiting their response to my request for the 'Estate Administration' for Rudolph/Ralph which I am hoping will give us the remaining names of his children. I apologize for this delay but with or without this puzzle piece I will, in the next issue, have Rudolph's story.



Samuel and Catherine (Godlove) Younkin

( Son of Rudolph and Elizabeth (Hackman) Younkin )

Photo courtesy of Alice A. Younkin, Glendale, AZ.

## OUR MILITARY MEN

### Meet: *John Deitz Younkin*

John was 6 Oct 1837 in Hamilton Co., OH. as the son of Samuel and Rachel (Deitz) Younkin. John enrolled in the Civil War at Indianapolis, IN. on the 10th day of Sept. 1864 as a private in Company E 135th Regt. Indiana Infantry. He was discharged 21 Sept. 1864 as a private in Co. A 7th Regt. Indiana Vols. At enlistment his physical description was: 5 ft. 3 1/2 in. tall, light complexion, blue eyes, and light colored hair. His occupation at this time was that of 'Potter'.

John applied for a pension on 10 Oct 1907 at which time he stated that his residences since his service had been: Lafayette, IN.; Beatrice, NE.; Rush Co., KS; & Great Bend, KS.

One of the most valuable papers in John's Pension file was a notarized copy of Samuel and Rachel's family birth records:

Samuel Younkin and Rachel Deitz were married on 22 May 1819.

Samuel was born 18 Aug 1797

Rachel was born 5 Dec 1800

#### Their Children:

Andrew J. was born 25 Mar 1821

Dorothy Ann was born 3 Jan 1823

Elisabeth was born 1 Mar 1825

Syrus [sic] was born 3 Jul 1826

Roxylenia was born 27 Oct 1828

Benjamin Franklin was born 18 Jun 1831

Manerva was born 7 Mar 1833

Samuel was born 13 Jun 1835

John was born 6 Oct 1837 ( our pensioner )

The notary certified that this was a true copy of the bible printed in the year A.D. 1834 for the American Bible Society.

John married Marietta Victoria King in 1862 and had 7 children: Willie Elsworth, Clarence Lincoln, Jennie Deitz, Samuel DeWitte, John King, Charles Franklin & Marietta Adora. John's wife, Marietta, died 6 Mar 1906 and he married on 1 Dec 1906 to Charity M. Howard ( Charity's maiden name was Smith - she was the widow of Thomas J. Howard who died in 1883 and she was also the widow of James Henderson who died in 1855). John died 26 Oct 1932.

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## The Much-married Miner and Younkin Family-by Mark A. Miner

In the April 30, 1938, edition of the YOUNKIN FAMILY NEWS BULLETIN, publisher Charles A. Younkin made a matrimony promise, of sorts. He wrote: "In future issues, we hope to tell you much of the inter-married families [including]...the Younkin and Miner."

But the promise was not fulfilled, for reasons that are not yet known. Although several more editions of the *Bulletin* were published after 1938, little about the much-married Miner and Younkin families ever made it into print. This is unfortunate, because there were at least five weddings of the two clans in the 1800s. A published review of these couples would have been very useful to family researchers then — and now.

Publisher Younkin would have had a keen interest in the topic himself because he was a twice-removed product of such a marriage. His paternal great-grandparents were Leonard and Martha (Miner) Harbaugh. As well, the author of this article is the product of *two* of the marriages: Jacob and Catherine (Younkin) Miner, married circa 1802; and their son, Henry, who married Mary Polly Younkin in the 1830s.

Why the Miner and Younkin families were so intermingled is not precisely known, but some evidence does exist. Both apparently had common German origins — the original spelling of Miner was "Meinhard," later shortened to "Miner," while the original spelling of Younkin was "Junghen." Both families settled and grew in the late 1790s and early 1800s on farms near Kingwood, Somerset County, Pa., and in some cases were next-door neighbors. Census, deed and estate records show that Miner and Younkin names abound.

Below is a list of five known 19th-century marriages and their offspring. Individuals' names are spelled as they would have been during their adult lives.

- Catherine Younkin (1787-1847), daughter of John and Catherine (Killicher) Younkin. She married Jacob Miner (1780-1842) in about 1802. They lived on a 500-acre farm near Kingwood. Their children were:
  1. John Miner (married #1 Sarah Ansell, 6 children; m.#2 Hannah Ansell)
  2. Burket Miner (m. Susan Hartzell)
  3. Henry (m. Mary Polly Younkin, more later)
  4. Laura Miner (m. John M. Younkin, more later)
  5. Jacob Miner (m. Rachel Ansell, one daughter)
  6. Charles Miner (m. Adaline Harbaugh, 9 ch.)
  7. Catherine Miner (m. Harrison Barnhouse, 5+ch.)
  8. Joel Miner (m.#1 Margaret J. Leighliter, m.#2 Catherine Seneff, 5 ch.)
  9. Eli Miner (m. Mary Ann Baer, 6 ch.)
- Henry Miner (1809-?), son of Jacob and Catherine (Younkin) Miner. He married Mary Polly Younkin (1810-?), whose parents are unknown. Wed in the 1830s, they left Kingwood about 1852 and ultimately settled in Greene County, Pa. where they died. Their children were:
  1. John Miner
  2. Ephraim Miner (m.#1 Joanna Younkin, ; m.#2 Rosetta Harbaugh, more later)
  3. Chance Miner (m. Martha J. Jones, 4 ch.)
  4. Harrison Miner
  5. Susanna Miner (m. Samuel A. Birch, 9 ch.)
  6. Jacob Miner (died in infancy)
  7. Andrew J. Miner (m. Mary Louise Johnston, 4 ch., ancestor of author)
  8. Nancy Minor (m. Spencer Farabee, 8 ch.)
  9. Catherine Miner (m. John Bedillion, 5 ch.)
  10. Sarah A. Miner (m. Fred Kreger)
  11. Elias Minor (m. Elizabeth King, 5 sons)
- Laura Miner (1813-bef 1880), daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Younkin) Miner. She married John M. Younkin, (1803-aft 1880), son of Jacob and Eleanor Younkin. They were married about 1832 and lived near Kingwood. Their children were:
  1. Charles Younkin (m. Sarah)
  2. Mary Younkin



4 Generations:(left to right): William Ellsworth Younkin, John Deitz Younkin; Florence (Younkin) Hahn & Florence Jo Hahn



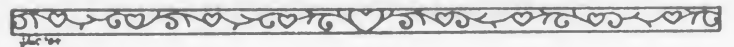
*Donald John & Ellen (Quigley) Younkin*

(Donald John is the son of William Ellsworth and grandson of John Deitz and Marietta Victoria (King) Younkin)

### NINETY YEARS! CAN IT BE TRUE?

Many were happy and few were blue  
Sod house is my memory first.  
I'm sure it can't be called the worst.  
Next in line of bygone years mark my word  
It can be remembered but need not be heard.  
Twelve years I lend myself to books, matriculated  
Finally I find myself in a country school  
'Twas my duty to teach and to rule.  
The Army then called and I didn't shirk,  
When it was over I returned to school and to work.  
In teaching it happened a girl I found —  
My judgement in this was very sound.  
It was wonderful for a youth of twenty-eight  
Even if she said you have a year to wait.  
Her wishes were good she said "I liked the farm."  
Times were tough but it caused us no harm.  
We found a farm that needed a home.  
This caused us to buy and not to roam.  
Six years we worked and a little girl we found.  
What a blessing it was to have one around.  
Two more girls were added in time —  
More blessings I can't think of for this old rhyme  
Time came and we had to retire  
From a lovely home that we came to admire.  
Years flew by and we were called to celebrate  
Fifty years of wedded fate.  
The girls planned this day with care  
And many came with friendship to share.  
With ten grandchildren we can relate  
And two great grands we are pleased to state  
And sixty years to celebrate with mother past eighty and  
Dad hits ninety  
This is elation beyond our estimation.

Donald Younkin 1984



3. Catherine Younkin
4. William Shadrick Younkin ( m. Caroline)
5. Jacob Younkin
6. Millie Younkin
7. David Younkin
8. Josiah Younkin
9. Daniel Martin Younkin (m. Elmira Miranda Zimmerman, 7ch.)
10. Josephine Younkin

**Ephraim Miner** (1839-1921), son of Henry and Mary Polly (Younkin) Miner. His first wife was **Joanna Younkin** (1846-1875), daughter of Herman and Susan (Faidley) Younkin. They were married after the Civil War and lived near Kingwood. Their children were:

1. William Lincoln Miner (not married)
2. Freeman Grant Miner (not married)

Ephraim later married Rosetta Harbaugh and had three more children: John Andrew, Harry David, and Minnie Edna Miner.

**Lucinda Harbaugh** (1856-1940), granddaughter of Leonard and Martha (Minerd) Harbaugh, and daughter of David and Mary Magdalena (Whipkey) Harbaugh. She married **William Dayton Younkin** (1857-1910), son of George A. and Charlotte (Younkin) Younkin. Married in the 1870s, they lived near Mill Run, Fayette County, Pa. Their children were:

1. Laura Bell Younkin (m. Jacob Shroyer, 8 ch.)
2. Charles Arthur Younkin, original YFNB publisher (m. Saloma Hall, 5 ch.)
3. George Osborn Younkin (m. Verona Matiben)
4. Viola R. Younkin (m. J.E. Mountain)
5. Ira David Younkin (m. Clara Jeffries, 2 ch.)
6. James Franklin (m. Ida Berkholder, 4 ch.)
7. Wilmer Dayton Younkin (died in infancy)
8. William Gustin Younkin (m. Elizabeth Logan)
9. Charlotte Magdalena Younkin (m. #1 Patrick Doyle, 2 ch.; m. #2 Benton L. Showman)
10. Warren Dempsey Younkin (m. Prudence Albright, 6 ch.)

If you would like to know more, or have information of your own to add or share, please contact Mark A. Miner, 2529 Matterhorn Drive, Wexford, Pa. 15090, or feel free to call at (412) 935-4513.

There may be no better example of the Miner/ Younkin connection than the individuals in this photograph. Counterclockwise, from top: Ephraim Miner and wife Rosetta; and Andrew J. Miner and wife Mary Louise. Ephraim and Andrew were brothers; their mother was Mary Polly (Younkin) Miner, and their grandmother was Catherine (Younkin) Minerd. Ephraim's first wife was Joanna Younkin; his second wife, shown here, coincidentally was an aunt of Charles A. Younkin, publisher of the original *Younkin Family News Bulletin*.

